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**TSGT BRANDI WALLACE - Female Bowler**  
**44th ANG Bowling Tournament St. Louis, MO.**  
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**Col Jeffrey Hauser**  
181st FW Commander

## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Did you realize as a traditional guardsman you can earn extra income for a unit referral? We have had unit members receive thousands of dollars for referring new Indiana Air National Guard members through the Guard Recruiting Assistance Program (G-Rap). **The G-Rap program is now open to retirees as well.** A short on-line training course is all that is required to become a Recruiter Assistant. I would like to set a goal to have all eligible 181FW members complete the on-line program to become a Recruiter Assistant. This is not a mandatory program and you act as an independent contractor.

**Be an Air National Guard Recruiting Assistant.** Qualify to become an Air National Guard Recruiting Assistant through a simple online process. Take the first step toward earning additional income while assisting the ANG in meeting future manpower requirements.

The Guard Recruiting Assistance Program (G-RAP) is a contracted program designed for individuals who voluntarily apply online at **[www.GuardRecruitingAssistant.com](http://www.GuardRecruitingAssistant.com)** to become eligible to serve as a Recruiting Assistant (RA). The RA applicant will be verified and hired by a contractor, not the ANG.

Each RA will cultivate quality Potential Airmen/Officers from within their individual spheres of influence. Once a Potential Airman/Officer is identified and pre-qualified, the RA will facilitate a meeting engagement with their local ANG Recruiter. The triad of Recruiter, RA, and nominee will then work closely to process the nominee and move them towards enlistment.

Upon verified enlistment, the RA will receive an initial payment of \$1,000, with a second \$1,000 payment upon verification of the new recruit's successful shipment to Basic Training or AMS. For a Prior Service recruit, the RA will receive the initial payment of \$1,000 upon verified enlistment and the second \$1,000 payment upon verification of the new recruits successful 90 day affiliation with the unit. Verification is received from both AFRISS and MILPDS systems.

*Note: exact payment timelines vary depending upon prior service/non-prior status and availability of training seats.*

### Goals:

The Air National Guard launched the Guard Recruiting Assistant Program (G-RAP) to establish a position of strength from which the Air National Guard can achieve its accessions mission and meet the end-strength objective.

### Purpose:

- Transform the way the ANG conducts recruiting and retention operations
- Return to community based recruiting — grassroots
- Reduce the cost of recruiting new Airmen
- Increase the number of new Airmen recruited

**Everyone is a recruiter and we need your help in achieving the Air National Guard goal of 107,000 members**

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## 181<sup>st</sup> Honor Guard displays Colors at Colts Game

By SSgt Chris Jennings, 181<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing Public Affairs

On Sunday Dec. 2, 181<sup>st</sup> Honor Guard marched onto the 50-yard line at the RCA Dome to display the nation's flag before the Indianapolis Colts game against the Jacksonville Jaguars. Representing the 181<sup>st</sup>, the Air Force, and the Nation's Armed Forces, the four Wing members showed astute military professionalism during the pre-game ceremony and allowed the nation to see a piece of "Racer" excellence.

"I've done several types of ceremonies since I've been with the Honor Guard," said SrA Matthew Heald, 181<sup>st</sup> Honor Guard member. "But nothing with this many people. It was amazing"

The Honor Guard performs ceremonies of all types, but this one was a little different. Rushing into a conference room in the Convention Center, a man wearing a headset called out a timeframe as Honor Guard members hastily changed into their uniforms. Still tugging and straightening out uniforms, members were taken through a revolving door and stepped onto the playing field.

In perfect stride, the four 181<sup>st</sup> members marched to the 50-yard line and displayed colors during the National Anthem. On the final note, the enormous, Colts-blue covered crowd erupted, and the Honor Guard marched toward the sideline.

The jubilated Honor Guard stood at the back of the end zone as Colts players took the field, running within the feet of the 181<sup>st</sup> members.

TSgt Mike Kellums, was also on the 50-yard line taking photographs as the Honor Guard displayed the colors. "You don't realize how big the RCA Dome is until you're standing at the 50-yard line when the crowd goes crazy," Kellums mentioned. "It was a great experience."

Honor Guard one minute, fans the next, 181<sup>st</sup> members snapped a few photos in the end zone as their favorite players took the field and then rushed back to the conference room to change from uniform to Colts blue and enjoy the game.

"It makes you feel good to go out and represent the Wing in front of so many people," Heald said. "I was very proud of myself and everyone."

After a well performed pre-game ceremony, Wing members were back in their seats to enjoy a Colts victory over their division rival Jaguars, 28-25.



Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams

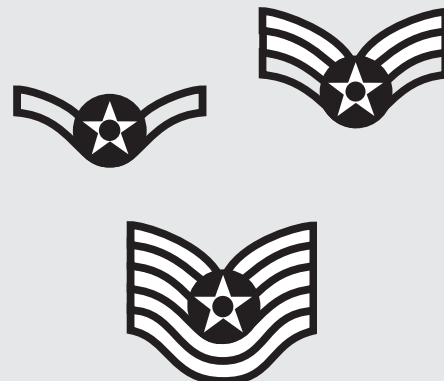
## Junior Enlisted Council

The Junior Enlisted Council has been hard at work planning events and gathering resources for the junior enlisted on base. Brig. General Goodwin will pay a visit on January 6<sup>th</sup> to speak with and answer questions of all junior enlisted. The JEC will hold a mock promotion board to help prepare enlisted members for future success at promotion boards. Look for the JEC to work closely with the Patriot flight in the near future. The common theme for all of this is: support. The JEC is here to support the junior enlisted and in turn the JEC needs the support of the junior enlisted of the 181<sup>st</sup>. All are encouraged to find out who their representatives are, and be sure to ask questions or express any concerns. Look for fundraising activity from the JEC and be sure to participate. Funds raised by the JEC will be used directly for the junior enlisted. Feel free to contact the JEC officers listed below. All comments and suggestions are welcome.

SSgt Travis Hawkins, CE ext. 619  
*JEC President*

TSgt James Moore, LGR ext. 279  
*JEC Vice President*

SSgt Rick Tryon, SFS ext. 249  
*JEC Secretary/Treasurer*



## That's right, Military Bearing!

by 2nd Lt Randi Jo Brown, CCE

35-10 or 36-2903 no matter how you refer to it, the purpose is the same, to tell each of us how to properly wear our military uniforms. I know that for several of us on base, it has been quite some time since we went through Basic Military Training. However, that does not give us the excuse to stray from the foundation of the military organization.

Many of us are preparing to cross train into the new missions, and will be back in the arms of the Air Education and Training Command (AETC) around the country. The vast majority of military personnel on these bases are new recruits. They are hot off the presses, and they know AFI 36-2903. In addition, the AETC instructors will not hesitate to correct any airmen, enlisted or officer. Get square in your boots now. Become familiar with Army, Navy and Marine rank. Render the proper customs and courtesies at all times. This is the time to refocus yourself and those around you.

Some installation policies you need to remember, even here at Hulman Field:

Members will **NOT**:

- Walk in uniform while using cell phones, radios, hands-free headsets unless required in the performance of official duties using a government issued device (Ref: AFI36-2903 pg 6)

- Smoke/use smokeless tobaccos, drink or eat while walking in uniform (Ref: AFI36-2903 pg6)

- Cell phone may be clipped on left side of waist band or purse or carried in left hand; must be conservative (Ref: AFI36-2903 pg 90)

Vehicle operators on an AF installation and operators of government owned, leased, or rented vehicles, on or off an AF installation, shall not use cell phones while the vehicle is in operation, except when using a hands-free device or hands-free operating mode. When possible, vehicle operators should pull over and place the vehicle in park before using any cell phone. Land Mobile Radios (LMR) are primarily listening devices and are not restricted. Cell phones and other devices, used only in push-to-talk (walkie-talkie, direct connection) mode are considered LMR if required and issued for the performance of official duties. (Ref: AFI91-207 3.2.2)

Hats should be worn in all but the designated "No Hat" areas on base

- "No Hat" area: Flightline only

Smoking only in designated areas on base

- No Smoking within 50 ft of exits (Ref: MDI 40-4)

## 181<sup>st</sup> member rolls into first place at 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Air National Guard Bowling Tournament

By SMSgt John S. Chapman, 181st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

No one would have thought that when TSgt Brandi Wallace stepped into the Tropicana Bowling Center, St. Louis, Mo., on May 11, bowling history would be written. Wallace, a regular bowler on the ANG Mixed League in Terre Haute, Ind., has been bowling for four years with her team, Bad-As-Bowlers. She has held a 140 average steady over the years, and this year's tournament seemed to play right into her hands. The ANG



Photo by SMSgt John Chapman

Bowling Tournament, which is a handicap event, levels the playing field for all participants.

Wallace recalls just walking into the bowling alley saying, "Ok, who has the first round?" It was obvious she wasn't thinking too hard on bowling. She actually just wanted to have a good time with everyone.

Her first event was team, and Wallace rolled 157 her first game, 184 on her second game and finished off with a 144 on her third. Combining her handicap score her final score for the Team event was 653. The next day was singles and doubles, where she bowled with her doubles partner, Darin Weaver. She rolled 168, 212, and 167, totaling 715 with handicap and a team total of 1326, which put them in 8th Place in doubles. Then with only a 15-minute break in between sets, the singles event was next.

Bowling 166, 161, and 164, adding in her handicap she totaled 659, which was good enough for 1st place in the Single's Event. This made her the first woman champion of the single's event in the ANG tournament's history. When you combine Wallace's 9 games with her handicap, she rolled a 2027 which was enough for 2nd Place in the whole tournament.

Next year's tournament will be held in Selfridge, Mich., where Wallace will be defending her Singles Championship title.

## Enlisted Professional Military Education Focus in 2008

In this article of the Racer Flyer you have seen a renewed emphasis on recruiting the future of the 181<sup>st</sup>. The wing must continue to recruit and develop the next generation of Racers. The wing must also continue to train and develop the future enlisted leaders of the 181<sup>st</sup> through Enlisted Development. Enlisted Professional Military Education (EPME) which is one of the pieces of that development pie. You will hear Commanders, First Sergeants and Chiefs expanding on EPME and the importance it has on an Airmen's career and the future of the 181<sup>st</sup>. Each month there will be EPME focused articles in the Racer Flyer as well as base e-mail, First Sergeant Briefs and Commanders Call.

### Announcing the start of the 181<sup>st</sup> Satellite Professional Military Education program

The 181<sup>st</sup> Satellite PME program will be going operational September 4, 2008 by offering the NCO Academy to eligible members of the unit. Modern technology will allow participants to attend the NCOA in-residence while attending class in Terre Haute. The staff of the Air National Guard NCOA will present the course via satellite every Tuesday and Thursday from 1800-2200. The Hulman Field portion of the course will conclude on November 20, 2008. The final phase of the course will be held at McGhee-Tyson ANGB in Knoxville, Tennessee from December 1-16, 2008.

The Satellite Program is an alternative means of attending Airman Leadership School or NCO Academy. It is ***NOT*** a replacement for the "in-residence" program. It was specifically designed for those Airmen (ANG and Reserve traditional, AGR, Technicians, and active duty) who cannot attend the 5 1/2 week, "in-residence" for whatever reason, but still want the education and experience of an "in-residence" program.

The Airmen attending the program receive the same curriculum as those attending the 5-1/2 week, in-resident course, including the same writing, speaking, and testing requirements. They are subject to the ***exact same standards*** of academics, discipline, and professionalism as the in-resident students. The graduating students receive the same 11 college credit hours from CCAF and "in-residence" credit on their personnel records.

The difference between the Satellite Program and in-resident is in the instructional delivery. The majority of the curriculum is taught by an Enlisted PME (EPME) Satellite Instructor via live satellite TV. A certified Site Facilitator follows up the satellite instruction and leads the students through a discussion based on the appropriate educational objective. If you are interested in participating please run it through your chain of command and Unit Training Manager.

The dates and times of the ALS course are still being evaluated by the ANG PME office. If you're a SRA interested in participating in ALS here in Terre Haute please let a member of the Satellite team now. We will communicate to ANG the interest level. If there is enough interest Guard wide then dates will be set and the plans put into motion.

One thing necessary to make the course a success are facilitators. Currently the unit has MSgt Matthew Riggs (FM) and TSgt Jennifer Harman (MDG) who have completed the training to guide the students through the process. More volunteers are required to attend a late spring training course with dates to be determined. If you are interested in participating please speak to either MSgt Riggs or TSgt Harman. The following requirements must be met to serve on the facilitator team:

- 1) In-resident graduate of EPME
- 2) Possess an Associates degree or higher
- 3) 2 years retainability after training
- 4) Highly motivated, self-starting, professional with strong communicative skills
- 5) Unit Commander's approval

### ANG NCO Academy Graduates Association Returns to HUF

The ANG NCO Academy Graduates Association Promotes, Supports, and Prepares enlisted members for EPME. The Association will be instrumental in providing facilitators and support to the SAT EPME program while educating the wing enlisted team about other EPME opportunities. Some of the goals of the local Chapter will be to provide an annual recognition luncheon for EPME graduates, support enlisted leadership attending EPME graduations, emphasize the benefits of the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) and provide mentoring for members enrolled in the EPME correspondence course. The National Chapter offers educational scholarships to ANG members and their dependants.

For more information about the National Chapter of NCOAGA go to [www.ncoaga.com](http://www.ncoaga.com) Information about Chapter 80 of the NCOAGA should go to:

<https://wwwd.my.af.mil/afknprod/ASPs/CoP/OpenCoP.asp?Filter=AN-ED-00-21>

Anyone interested in being a part of the NCOAGA should contact CMSgt Colon (MDG) or TSgt Harman (MDG).

### 2008 EPME Courses at McGhee-Tyson ANGB

Airmen Leadership School	NCO Academy
08 Jan 08 – 08 Feb 08	07 Jan 08-13 Feb 08
25 Feb 08 – 27 Mar 08	26 Feb 08-03 Apr 08
14 Apr 08 – 15 May 08	21 Apr 08-28 May 08
23 Jun 08 – 24 Jul 08	24 Jun 08-31 Jul 08
11 Aug 08 – 11 Sep 08	18 Aug 08-24 Sep 08
29 Sep 08 – 20 Oct 08	



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**What is the Guard Recruiting Assistance Program and how does it work?** The Guard Recruiting Assistance Program (G-Rap) is a contracted program designed for individuals who voluntarily apply to become eligible to serve as a part time Recruiter Assistant (RA). The RA applicant will be verified and hired by a contractor (Docupak), not the ANG.

**What are the responsibilities of the Recruiter Assistant?** The responsibilities of an RA are to identify individuals within their sphere of influence to develop potential Airmen, promote the benefits of the ANG, input potential Airmen's profile data into G-RAP website and arrange a meeting between the potential Airmen and the unit recruiter.

**Is G-RAP a mandatory program?** No, it is VOLUNTARY and you must be selected by the contractor, Docupak, to become an RA.

**Who do I work for? AM I an ADSW or AGR person?** You are an independent contractor for Docupak and are not acting in a military capacity.

**If I am a member of the Air National Guard, is this a required program? Will I get in trouble for not participating?** G-RAP is not a required program and has no bearing on your status in the Guard, or your military career. You act as an independent contractor for Docupak.

**Can an ANG Drill Status Airmen who is mobilized and is now on active duty be a part of this? Or if they are already a RA, can they continue to earn money from the contract?** No, ANG members who are mobilized and then ordered to active duty and would not be eligible to be a RA during this period of service. Being a RA is done on Civilian time, never on ANG time. When they complete the mobilization and come off of active duty, they could apply to be hired or reappointed as a contractor with Docupak.

**Are AGR, ADSW, Mil Tech or immediate family members of full time recruiting staff eligible to participate in G-RAP?** No, AGR, ADSW, Mil Tech or immediate family members are not currently authorized to participate in G-RAP.

**What are the qualifications -disqualifications for joining the ANG?** The online training and your RA Guide will inform you of basic qualifications and disqualifications and all required information and supporting documentation necessary to assist you as an RA.

**What information do I need to get from the potential Airmen, and where do I get it?** The online training will inform you of all required information and supporting documentation you will need to gather from the potential enlistee.

**Can I tell potential Airmen about bonuses or guarantees from the Air Guard?** You are not authorized to make guarantees or promises to potential Airmen in regard to any benefits or incentives.

**What do I tell potential Airmen about deployments?** As a member of the Air National Guard, you are subject to federal and state mobilization in support of your country and community needs. Deployment is possible and you must be upfront with any potential Airmen about the possibility of serving the nation during this time.

**Can I get credit for a current ANG member who transfers from one state to another?** No, they are current members of the ANG and the G-RAP focus is on new recruits.

**Can I perform the duties of the RA during drill weekend?**

No, any Airmen on Drill Statue, AT Status or ADSW CANNOT perform the duties of an RA.

**Can I wear my uniform while I am doing RA work?** No, your civilian contractor provides you with appropriate Guard wear (casual). You are never allowed to represent yourself as a Airman working in a paid military nor should you portray yourself as an recruiter.

**What will I be paid?** You will receive \$1,000 upon the verified enlistment of a new Airman. A subsequent \$1,000 payment is made upon shipping to Basic Military Training for NPS and PS must affiliate for three months and perform three drills.

**How do I get paid?** You will receive a contractor issued debit card which will be credited upon each enlistment.

**At what point do I no longer work with the potential Airman?** Your responsibilities end upon receipt of your final \$1,000 payment.

**How long does it take to get paid?** It takes approximately 30-45 days to receive payments once the enlistment has been verified.

**Is this a bonus? If so, what authority is it under?** No, this is not a bonus program. This is a performance based contract that pays for actual, verified accessions and basic training ship-pers.

**If I have received a bonus for joining, does this program affect it in any way?** No, the Select Reserves Incentive Program (SRIP) is separate from G-RAP. Your civilian contractor status has no affect on your enlistment or reenlistment bonus.

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## Hulman Field becoming face of 'total force'

By SSgt Chris Jennings, 181<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Not long after the 181<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing's final fly day, the new image of Hulman Field, Terre Haute, Ind., started to materialize. As buildings begin to change, so has some of the personnel on base, most noticeably, the increase of Army National Guard members. The 519<sup>th</sup> Combat Sustainment Support Battalion has moved into the unoccupied areas of the hangar, and now calls Hulman Field their home.

"We're still in a transition period, but once at full strength there will be approximately 49 Army National Guard members here," said 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Jeremy Lainhart, 519<sup>th</sup> Headquarters Company Commander, who is a traditional Guardsman from Brownsburg, Ind. "This is a step up from where we were before."

Lainhart pointed out that the 519<sup>th</sup> CSSB was originally stationed at the Army National Guard armory on Maple Ave., just west of Terre Haute North Vigo High School. The facilities are not the only aspect of the transition that Lainhart and other ARNG members appreciate about their new home.



"Being on a base provides a higher level of security," Lainhart explained. "Plus, it's nice to be around other soldiers when we are at work."

The 519<sup>th</sup> CSSB has three main components; Headquarters, Supply, and Maintenance, along with three separate commanders. The 519<sup>th</sup>'s overall mission is as a logistical command for an entire battalion.

"We sustain the force," Lainhart said. "We are here to support the brigade."

Providing support to a brigade can mean anything from ordering supplies, to performing all types of maintenance on equipment. The 519<sup>th</sup> has already taken over the majority of the hangar's West side and will continue to fill up space with the equipment they need to perform their mission. They currently have several store rooms with supplies and equipment, and the need for storage will only increase.

Lainhart mentioned that he worked with Air Force personnel on a daily basis when in Iraq and was impressed with the way they performed.

"Army and Air Force personnel seem to work very well together," he said. "Our transition onto this base was tough, but everyone here was very helpful, and it was good to see the welcome you all gave us."

Moving ahead into the future has been a common theme at Hulman Field for the last year, and with more Army National Guard personnel working on base, the future of Hulman Field is obviously leaning more toward the U.S. Military's main goal – a total force.

## SrA Nicole Puckett's experience as one of the Wing's newest Imagery Analyst

by SrA Nicole Puckett, 181DGS

DGS stands for Distributed Ground Station, as you probably know. In layman's terms this means world wide watch dog. As a 1N1, the majority of my time is spent continuously watching, helping to police the world. After my initial training at Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo, Texas I was somewhat unsure of what my daily job would entail as an imagery analyst.

After further training at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kansas I finally had a solid grasp of the scope this job plays in the United States Air Force, and the intelligence world. I, for one, was able to see a direct impact the job was having on the conflict in Iraq, which is a great feeling. Everyday we contributed to keeping our coalition forces in Iraq safe from attacks, IEDs (Individualized Explosive Devices), and other hazards they face everyday in the Middle East war zones.

Methods of deception, cross intelligence from other fields, bad weather, and poor image quality are some of the challenges we face as imagery analysts. Awareness is a key factor in any intelligence field.

In past times the job of the imagery analyst was primarily a "bean counter" (counting objects on the terrain), but now we use research to supplement what we find to make the most informed analysis. While down time does exist in this career field, the sense of accomplishment you feel when the mission matters most is a great feeling. Overall, my impression of this career field has been a good one.

Working a DGS mission is a very exciting experience, which in the long run opens the doors to further possibilities down the road. Some days you will feel a sense of instant gratification, knowing you helped save lives or catch the bad guy. Even with the headaches of cross training, my experience in the DGS community has been worthwhile and valuable.



# RACER PHOTO GALLERY



Nov UTA 2007: MSgt Linda Long receives Honorable Discharge orders from Col Jeffrey Hauser.  
*Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams*



Nov UTA 2007: MSgt Arthur Goldberg receives Meritorious Service Medal from Capt John Petrowski.  
*Photo by MSgt John Day*



Dec UTA 2007: MSgt Brian Goodman's wife Holli, receives Legion of Hoosier Heroines during Brian's retirement ceremony. *Photo by MSgt John Day*



Dec UTA 2007: Lt Col Anthony Smiley receives Honorable Discharge orders from Col Donald Bonte.  
*Photo by MSgt John Day*





Dec UTA 2007: Col Jeffrey Hauser squeezes out a droplet of whip cream for the Christmas dinner desserts. *Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams*



Dec UTA 2007: Lt Col John Knable, 113th Ops, hands off Christmas dinner to Army troop from the 519th. *Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams*



Dec UTA 2007: SrA Jamie Craney, SVF, donates the gift of life during a recent blood drive at Hulman Field. *Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams*



Dec UTA 2007: It's flu shot time again. Lt Col Donna Edwards, 181 MDG, administer the flu vaccine to TSgt Terry Ellinger, 181 MXA. *Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams*



Dec UTA 2007: Faith Petrowski (daughter of Capt John Petrowski), sits on Santas lap and shares all her Christmas wishes. *Photo by MSgt John Day*



Dec UTA 2007: SSgt Rebecca Deal and her son, Drew; SrA Lucille Brown, daughter behind her Breanna Burnham; MSgt Shannon Carr and her sons, Andrew & Brodie; sign up for door prizes. *Photo by MSgt John Day*



# RACER UNIT REVIEW



**MSF** - Change equals opportunity in the military support flight. The story of the day is personnel moves and promotions. Congratulations go to **Andrew Van Ness** and **Craig Rudisel** as they have both been promoted to MSgt. We are disappointed to announce that **MSgt Joan Heshelman** will be leaving as she has accepted a Unit Training Manager position with in the DGS. Good Luck **Joan**. **Joan** will be replaced by **TSgt Thomas Carey** who presently handles Accessions. **MSgt Donald Rogers**, the familiar face up front in Customer Service will be moving back to the Accessions office replacing **Carey**. The MSF also would like to welcome **Laurie Weaver**, who will be joining us from the clinic replacing **MSgt Rogers** up front in Customer Service. While things keeping changing in the MSF it is more of the same for **MSgt Michael Huffman** in retention. On October 31st he struck his 13th, yes that is correct, 13th deer while driving to work. **Michael** is ok, deer is not, truck's totaled. It just goes to show, while some things change others remain the same. Be careful with that new truck **Mike**.

Recently the MSF was recognized by the CCAF for outstanding performance and commitment to educational excellence. The MSF was recognized by CCAF for exceeding MAJCOM averages in CCAF degrees awarded as a percent of assigned enlisted personnel. Keep up the good work.

*Captain Bryan Debshaw*

**Det 1** (Atterbury) - Season's Greetings from all of us at Atterbury Range. Can you say "BUSY" that is exactly how thing's have been with

the usual day and night sorties as well as some new projects. Most notably the urban complex is underway with the demolition of the prior target and construction of the roads. Gravel has been delivered steadily for the past 2 weeks, along with sea land containers that will be used to simulate buildings. I am confident that the training and realism will be second to none upon completion. With our significant workload **MSgt Wood** from the 181st was a valuable asset during the 35 days he spent with us. Thank you **MSgt Wood** for your hard work, experience and professionalism.

**Major Snider** and **MSgt Coldiron** will be working at Hardwood Range and Volk field in the coming week. Their task's will include performing inspections as members of the IG team during the UCI. Great job gentlemen!

Our Caterpillar skid steer received some early Xmas presents from the Guard Bureau with 5 shiny new attachments which should make our jobs more efficient downrange.

Our annual PT test was very successful with 1/3 of the unit scoring 90% or better. The top spot was hotly contested between **Lt Col Craig "Merle" Haggard** and a hard charging **TSgt Kevin Aders** with "**Merle**" eventually securing the top spot with a excellent score of 96.25 %. Great job to all the rangers.!

We are proud to announce that two of members recently received awards; **TSgt Aders** received the Air Force Commendation Medal; former **SSgt Monroe** received the Air Force Achievement Medal, yes, he was also was recently promoted to TSgt. Congratulations to both of you.

Atterbury will soon be losing one of its finest, **MSgt Todd Lee**

will be retiring in April 08. **Todd** will be missed by all as he is truly a gifted leader and someone that each one of us calls a friend. Best wishes to you **Todd**.

*TSgt William Abel*

**MSG** - As you walk around the Support Group you will probably notice some personnel changes.

**Capt John Jensen** joins the Mission Support Group as Executive Officer to the Mission Support Group Commander. **Capt Jensen** comes from the Maintenance side of the house where he was assigned as the Executive Officer to the Maintenance Commander. **TSgt Teri Winegar** also joins the Mission Support Group as the Information Manager to the Commander.

There are also several new faces in the Communications Flight. **Capt John Petrowski** is now the Comm Flight Commander. **Capt Petrowski** was previously assigned as the Logistics Officer from the Logistics Readiness Squadron. Other changes in the Communicatins Flight include **MSgt Julie Vanlandingham** as the base IM Functional Manager, she will work with an outstanding group of Information Managers consisting of **SSgt Lucille Brown**, and **SrA Cindy Poole** in the mail room. **MSgt Shelly Hart** is now the Information Manager for the Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Good luck to all of you in these new positions!

*MSgt Julie Vanlandingham*

**MXS** - The last few months have been very unusual time for the maintenance squadron and the 181FW. We have seen the last of our aircraft leave. The bridge missions are tapering off and coming to an end. The DGS and ASOS





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missions are slowly becoming a reality. We are finally starting to get a visual indication of life after the F-16. During this time, our people have been asked to perform their normal job, assist in preparing for our new missions and get themselves and their families prepared for the future. For some, the future has already begun. **MSgt Michael Farris, TSgt Jeremy Bales, SSgt Chris Kirby, SSgt Josh Melton and SrA Shaun Earl** have all been selected for the 1N1 career field and have already started training at Goodfellow AFB, TX. **TSgt Kevin Robertson** was selected for the 3C0 career field, **SSgt David Foy and SrA Emre Dogru** were selected for the 2E2 career field and all are attending training at Kessler AFB, MS.

Even though we are preparing for the future, we still have 181 Maintenance Squadron members deployed or recently returning from location around the world. **CMSgt Darrell Newman, TSgt Gary Brewer, TSgt Ed Foerster, TSgt Brian Weitz, SSgt David Foy, SrA Jared Menestrina and SrA John Mutnansky** have been part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. **SSgt Julian Pirog** has been supporting Operation Jump Start and **TSgt Joe Cuvelier** is backfilling munitions support at Alpena CRTC.

Congratulations to the following Maintenance Squadron individuals on their recent promotions. **Pat Mitchell** and **Brian Weitz** were promoted to TSgt, **Adam Quackenbush** to SSgt and **Michael Jarrell** to SrA. Keep up the outstanding work.

We've had several retirements, a few members' transfer to other units and a few that just decided to let their enlistment come to an end.

Retirements from Maintenance Squadron included **TSgt Larry Lively** with 27 years, **MSgt John Wycoff** with 26 years, **SMSgt Brian Fair** with 25 years, **TSgt John McHenry** with 23 years, **TSgt Tom Moore** with 23 years and **TSgt Paul Edington** with 20 years. The unit was truly fortunate to have these individuals and they will be missed.

The following individuals decided to stay in their current career field and transferred to other units: **TSgt Steve Love** and **SSgt Lloyd Pilkin** both transferred to Grissom AFB; **SSgt Steve Jeffries** transferred to Madison, WI, **TSgt Brad Rumsey** transferred to Springfield OH. Good luck to them at their new locations and the gaining units should be honored to receive some of the 181<sup>ST</sup> best.

Individuals staying in the Racer family, but transferring to other shops on base: **SrA Tyler Coopridier** transferred to Bio; **SrA Chris Blanton** transferred to MSF; **SSgt Josh Scherschel** transfer to the Legal Office; **SSgt Roy Mitchell** transferred to CE; **SSgt Greg Dunham** transferred to POL. I'm sure they will carry on the excellent performance they were known for in their current career fields.

Individuals electing to leave our unit include: **SSgt Mark Baker; SSgt Tanner Jones; SSgt Jarod McCullough, SSgt Brian Taylor, SrA Elizabeth Evans**. Thanks for the time and efforts you made to help our unit to be one of the best.

As we all know, things are a changing, prepare yourself and be ready for what comes along.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday and wish everyone the best of everything in the future. *MSgt Arlen L. Eiteljorge*

**MDG - Happy 2008 to everyone...** where does time go? It seems to fly by the older we get.. anyway **TSgt Kendra Schinbeckler** and husband **John** welcomed Baby **Ella K** in November. She is adorable and parents are doing great... Congrats to both of you. Other congratulations goes to **Lt Col Ernie Prochazka** on his December wedding.

**CMSgt Anthony Colon** attended the Chief Executive Course in Washington DC. **Major Rob Abbinett** attended the Combat Nurses Course at Camp Bullis, Texas in December. **TSgt Jenny Harman, CMSgt Anthony Colon and Lt Col Patti Mook** attended CCQAS training at Andrews AFB in December. **TSgt Jenny Harman** attended the ALS and NCOA Facilitator's Course in Knoxville, Tennessee. **SSgt Dallas Rees** has left for the BEE Technical school.

**MSgt Tommy McMinn** has deployed to Iraq. **Captain Katherine Good** has deployed to Ft. Riley, Texas where she will receive field training for her assignment in Afghanistan. **Katherine** will not be returning until February 2009. Please keep both of them in your thoughts and prayers.



A special thanks to **Chief Simmonds** and **Chief Lewis** for

assisting the Medical Group with our Class A Blue Uniform Inspection. It was great to see everyone in their blues. In 2008, the Medical Group will begin requiring all promotion boards be held wearing the Class A Blue Uniforms.

Now is the time to make a New Year's Resolution for 2008 to be your BEST 181st Air National Guard Year ever, get involved, wear your uniform with pride, learn as much as you can and above all enjoy your military duty. Happy New Year from the 181st Medics.

*Lt Col Patti Mook*

### Medical News...

Breast Cancer awareness is a topic that should be important to all of us. This disease strikes thousands of women and men a year. We should do all we can to protect ourselves and our loved ones. Breast cancer screening both self checking and mammograms are a way to catch this disease in its early and treatable states. Mammograms are costly and not always covered by insurance. Please do your part to make mammograms accessible to everyone. Below is a link to click on, which makes free mammograms available to those in need. Do your part and click on this link for breast cancer awareness. If you have any questions, please contact LtCol Donna Edwards at the Medical Squadron 197.

<http://www.thebreastcancersite.com/>

### 181<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing Quarterly Award Winners

#### 4th QUARTER FY 07

#### Non-Rated Officer of the Quarter

Cpt John W. Jensen (MXG)

#### Sr NCO of the Quarter

MSgt Joan M. Heshelman (MSF)

#### NCO of the Quarter

TSgt Laurie E. Weaver (MDG)

#### Airman of the Quarter

SrA Zachary R. Eason (AMS)

## First Sergeant Vacancy

First Sergeant Applications are now being accepted to fill vacancy/manning in the 181<sup>st</sup> Civil Engineering and 3 positions for the Distributive Ground Station (DGS). The duties of the First Sergeant are to advise and assist the Commander in maintaining discipline, standards, and exercise general supervision over all assigned enlisted personnel. The First Sergeant also provides guidance to the enlisted force on matters of leadership, military courtesy, personal appearance and self-discipline. First Sergeants consult with Commanders to ensure all supervisors are setting an appropriate example for their subordinates and are taking the necessary actions to ensure all personnel adhere to standards.

The mandatory non-waiverable qualifying criteria for the position are as follows:

1. The selected individual will be required to complete the First Sergeant's Academy, (FSA) within the first 12 months after assignment into this position. FSA is a two-week course held at Maxwell AFB, AL.
2. Individual must have the ability to speak clearly and distinctly.
3. Individual must have completed the NCO Academy Course (in-residence or by correspondence)
4. Individual must currently hold the rank of Master Sergeant (or be an immediately promotable Technical Sergeant).
5. Individual must possess a 7 or 9 skill level in **any AFSC**.
6. Individual must agree to a tenure of no less than 3 years after completion of FSA.
7. Individual must meet minimum weight and body fat standards, with minimum physical profile PUL HES 333231.
8. Individual's overall image must exceed minimum standards.
9. Individual must be financially stable.
10. Individual must have minimum ASVAB scores of A-41, and G-62.

To apply for this position, send a resume (to include letters of recommendation) to Command Chief Master Sergeant Dennis A. Williams. Applications must be submitted no later than the close of business, Sunday 06 January 2008. Interviews will be conducted during the February 2008 UTA, with final interviews by the Commanders. Questions may be directed to CMSgt Williams at ext. 568 or (317) 440-0971.







## NEW RACERS



Darvin Winters - FW



Allison Pearce - SVF



James Medley - Intell



Nicholas Long - Intell



Michael Floyd - Intell



Trent Myers - Intell

## Chaplain Comments

*Capt Darvin Winters*

It is a privilege to be a part of the great heritage of the 181st. Air Force Chaplains are called to be visible reminders of the holy. In my time here, I pray that I can live up to this calling. In this wonderful holiday season, we recall that there is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens. With this teaching in mind, we take the time to reflect on the upcoming mission and the people who accomplish this mission—you and I. It is my plans to get to know you a little better and maybe you can get to know me a little better: Originally I am from the eastside of Indianapolis. I am a Roman Catholic priest serving in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. I have been a priest for eight years. The last two years I have been stationed at Sacred Heart of Jesus, north Terre Haute. I am also the sacramental administer for St. Ann's, Terre Haute. I did my undergraduate work at Saint Meinrad Seminary College, St. Meinrad, Indiana. I completed my M.Div. at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Maryland. I first did Naval Chaplain School, Newport, R.I. Later, I switched the commission into the Air Force Chaplaincy. I am glad I chose the "Blue!" I have been an IMA (CAT B) Chaplain since 2003. By Providence, I acquired a spot with the 181st. In closing, I am elated to be part of the 181st Chaplain Staff. We have an excellent Chaplain Team. We are here for all of you. It is my hope that this Season is a time for you to step back and to be at peace with the accomplishments and memories of this past year. It is my prayer that the God, to whom all time belongs, watch over you and those you love always.

## TACP - Tactical Air Control Party

Only a select few wear the Black Beret that symbolizes the Tactical Air Control Party (TACP). The Air Force specialists are assigned to Army combat maneuver units around the world. On a battlefield, they form a team that plans, requests and directs air strikes against enemy targets in close proximity to friendly forces.

A TACP is generally a two-airmen team, working in an Army ground unit and directing close air support firepower towards enemy targets on the ground.

When U.S. troops are engaged in combat and close air support is necessary a TACP will be called upon to provide the terminal control. Putting bombs on target is their mission.

Prior to joining the TACP community you will have to complete 75 grueling days of training at Hurlburt Field, Florida.

The first block of instruction covers basic career knowledge.

Block two, portable communications section, is where they learn several different procedures and radio language skills.

Third block involves day/night foot navigation, vehicle navigation, convoy training and small unit tactics. It's considered the "make-or-break" block of the school. During field portion of block three students are taken out, bringing only what they can carry on their back, for a six-day land navigation, global positioning system, map plotting and compass training exercise. They will learn to overcome fear and gain confidence during their solo day/night land navigation mission through the Florida backwoods. Students will have to rely on a map and compass. Instructors will often ambush the students simulating an actual combat situation. The students are deprived of sleep and put under constant physical duress to see how well they work as a team.

The fourth block of training involves aircraft and vehicle recognition and air support coordination. The students will be taught how to better understand joint air operation centers and tactical air control systems.

Block five covers pallet radios and students will learn to operate a mobile communications radio pallet.

Block six is where all the training comes together. The students go on a three-day "real-world" scenario. They plot targets on maps, request aircraft for close air support using assigned call signs and work convoy procedures. The instructors have set up improvised explosive devices to make sure the students are moving in teams, keeping guard and helping each other as a team.



### Eligibility Requirements

Successfully complete :

- 42 push-ups in two minutes
- 53 sit-ups in two minutes
- 2 mile run in 15:54
- 6 pull-ups—no time limit
- Valid Drivers License
- Normal Color Vision / Depth Perception
- No Speech Impediment
- Minimum ASVAB score of 49
- Males only

### Available Military Schools

- Airborne
- Jumpmaster
- Air Assault
- Pathfinder
- Long Range Surveillance Course
- Joint Firepower Qualification Course
- U.S. Navy Special Ops Spotters Course
- Ranger
- ... schools



Leadership School  
Counter Sniper School

### Military Pay

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Weekend Pay</u>
E-1	\$160.52
E-2	\$194.52
E-3	\$204.56

You may also qualify for additional income; see recruiters for details.

### College Benefits

- Indiana National Guard Supplemental Grant pays up to 100% tuition costs by the state of Indiana for state funded universities and colleges.
- As you train you will be awarded credits that may be applied toward an associates degree in your military career field and a college degree.
- Offer free CLEP testing that allows members to earn college credits through specialized tests
- Full-time students receive over \$300 per month for college through the Montgomery G.I. Bill
- Depending on your circumstances, you may qualify for various incentive programs. Check with your recruiter for details.



## Officer Selection Board

Due to the ongoing transition from a Fighter Wing to an Intelligence Wing, the decision to conduct an Officer Selection Board for the current calendar year will be made after the 1 April 08 conversion to a new unit manning document. Interested individuals should review Wing Policy Letter 00-12, 27 December 2000, subject: Officer Selection Procedures, and be prepared to submit the required documentation should an Officer Selection Board be held. The announcement to hold an Officer Selection Board may be made by an article in a future Racer Flyer or via e-mail to "all users". Please direct any questions regarding this announcement to Col Don Bonte at ext 219.

*Capt Sean D. Stephens*

*181 MSF/CC, Director of Personnel*

## 2008 Hail & Farewell Dinner

An invitation is extended to all members of the 181<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing for the 2008 Hail & Farewell Dinner to honor all new full-time employees and retirees.

Friday, 15 February 2008  
Aerospace Dining Facility  
Cash Bar 5:30PM Dinner 6:00PM  
Program 6:45-8:00PM  
Drawings and Door Prizes

Cost is \$12.00 per person  
(No cost for the honored retiree and one guest)

Point of contact for reservations:  
CMSgt John Stewart 877-5495  
CMSgt Danny Lewis 877-5285  
CMSgt Tracie Newman 877-5274

Reservations and payment must be made no later than 18 Jan 2008

## Commander's Fitness Challenge

Traveling trophy will be awarded to the Squadron with the most point earned during designated periods. 10 points for every ½ hour of physical activity: includes but not limited to shoveling snow, walking the dog, housework, bowling, aerobics, running, walking, etc....the list is endless. Each period will also have a focused challenge that is in addition to the Squadron Challenge, but will earn points going back to the Squadrons.

The first challenge is Get Movin to Get Fit (Weight Loss Challenge). Teams of five and individual participation accepted. Results will be based on % of Body Weight Lost. Each % lost is worth 100 points to your Squadron.

Please see your Squadron Wellness Representative (SWR) for additional details and to sign up.

MSgt Melinda Tatman - FW; MSgt Winnie Weaver - OG/MOF/MXG;  
TSgt Brandi Wallace - MXS; SMSgt Tom Edmondson - AMXS; SMSgt Moira Johanningsmeier - LRS; MSgt Larry McBride - CE; MSgt Kris Steward - MDG; SMSgt Dan Cook - SFS; TSgt Monty LeBrun - SC; MSgt Josh Hall - MPF/SVF/MSG/Recruiters

Website: Huf Portal, Wing, Commanders Fitness  
Email: fitnesschallenge@interr.ang.af.mil

## Information Assurance Telecommunications Monitoring

The Air Force monitors unsecured telecommunications systems to determine if these systems were used to transmit information considered sensitive, classified, or of operational security (OPSEC) value. This process is known as the **Telecommunications Monitoring And Assessment Program (or TMAP)**.

Every two years the wing must submit a report outlining what actions we are taking to comply with this requirement and as 2008 is here, so is the deadline.

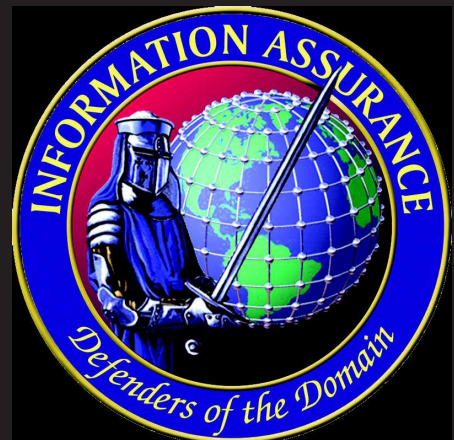
What can you do to help?

Ensure that; all telephones, to include STEs, cellular, and fax machines have DD Form 2056 decals affixed. (Same applies to radios also.) AF 3535 Fax coversheets are used. PDA(s) users have signed user agreements on file, computers have logon banners, to include non-networked systems, and lastly, remember,

**DO NOT DISCUSS CLASSIFIED  
INFORMATION OVER ANY  
UNCLASSIFIED SYSTEM!**

You can find further information about the TMAP program in Air Force Instruction 33-219, or by contacting the:

**Information Assurance Office Ext. 439**



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***JAN UTA***

**23 Jan 08**

***FEB UTA***

**22 Feb 08**

**Questions?**

**Call Military Pay  
at (812) 877-5248  
or (812) 877-5336**

**181st Fighter Wing Honor Guard presented the National Colors during an AFC division rival game between the Indianapolis Colts and the Jacksonville Jaguars on Dec 2nd. The Colts won the game 28 to 25. Photo by TSgt Michael Kellams**

